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or experimental operations for the purpose of facilitating the development and testing of improved methods of governmental supervision (necessary for the protection of the revenue) over plants. For this purpose, the appropriate TTB officer may, with the approval of the proprietor thereof, designate any plant for such operations. The provision of law and regulations waived and the period of time during which such waiver shall continue shall be stated in writing by the appropriate TTB officer. The provisions of this section shall not be construed as authority to waive the filing of any bond or the payment of any tax, including special (occupational) tax, provided for in 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51.

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§ 19.64 [Reserved]

§ 19.65 Experimental distilled spirits plants.

The appropriate TTB officer may authorize the establishment and operation of experimental plants for specific and limited periods of time solely for experimentation in, or development of—

- (a) Sources of materials from which spirits may be produced;
- (b) Processes by which spirits may be produced or refined; or
- (c) Industrial uses of spirits.

The appropriate TTB officer may waive any provision of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 (other than 26 U.S.C. 5312) and of this part (other than this section and § 19.66) to the extent he deems necessary to effectuate the purposes of 26 U.S.C. 5312(b), except that he may not waive the payment of any tax on spirits removed from such plant. A proprietor of an experimental distilled spirits plant established under this section is subject to special (occupational) tax under subpart Ca of this part and shall hold a

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separate special tax stamp to cover the experimental operations.

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§ 19.66 Application to establish experimental plants.

Any person desiring to establish an experimental plant shall make written application to the appropriate TTB officer and obtain approval of the proposed establishment. The applicant shall file with such application a bond in such form and penal sum as required by the appropriate TTB officer. The application shall state the nature, extent, and purpose of the operations to be conducted and describe the operations and equipment, the location of the plant (including the proximity to other premises or operations subject to the provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51) and the security measures to be provided. The appropriate TTB officer may require the submission of additional information as he deems necessary. The appropriate TTB officer shall not permit operations until he has found that the plant conforms to the specifications set forth in the application, as approved, and the applicant has complied with provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, and this part not specifically waived by the appropriate TTB officer.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1375, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5312))

§ 19.67 Spirits produced in industrial processes.

(a) *Applicability.* (1) Persons who produce spirits in industrial processes (including spirits produced as a by-product in connection with chemical or other processes) are distillers and are required to qualify and pay special (occupational) tax under provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 and this part.

(2) The appropriate TTB officer may, however, waive any provision of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, or of this part, with respect to the production of nonpotable chemical mixtures containing spirits, including any provision relating to qualification (except the payment of special (occupational) tax), if such mixtures are produced:

(i) For transfer to the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant for completion of distilling; or

(ii) As a by-product which would require expensive and complex equipment for the recovery of spirits.

(3) The waiver under the provisions of paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of this section is further conditioned that such mixture would:

(i) Be destroyed on the premises where produced; or

(ii) Contain a minimum quantity of spirits practicable with the procedure employed, not be subjected to further operations solely for the purification or recovery of spirits, and be found by the appropriate TTB officer to be as nonpotable and at least as difficult with respect to recovery as completely denatured alcohol.

(b) *Application for waiver.* (1) When the producer of nonpotable mixtures desires to secure a waiver of designated provisions of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51, or this part, he shall file an application with the appropriate TTB officer.

(2) The application shall include, as applicable—

(i) Name and address of producer;

(ii) Chemical composition and source of the nonpotable mixture;

(iii) Approximate percentages of chemicals and spirits in the mixture;

(iv) Method of operation proposed;

(v) Bonded premises where the mixture will be distilled; and

(vi) Other pertinent information required by the appropriate TTB officer.

(c) *Approval.* If the appropriate TTB officer finds that the waiver of the requirements, or any of them, will not jeopardize the revenue and will not unduly hinder supervision of the operations, he may approve the application under such terms and conditions as he deems advisable and subject to the furnishing of any bond which he deems necessary.

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§ 19.68 Other businesses.

The appropriate TTB officer may authorize the carrying on of other businesses (not specifically prohibited by 26

U.S.C. 5601(a)(6)) on premises of plants if he finds that those businesses will not jeopardize the revenue, hinder the effective administration of this part, or be contrary to law. The authorization will designate the premises (i.e., bonded or general) on which such other business is to be conducted.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

§ 19.70 Exemptions to meet the requirements of National defense.

The appropriate TTB officer may temporarily exempt proprietors from any provision of the internal revenue laws or this part relating to spirits except those requiring payment of tax thereon whenever in his judgement it is expedient to do so to meet the requirements of the National defense.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1397, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5561))

§ 19.71 Experimental or research operations by scientific institutions and colleges of learning.

(a) *General.* The appropriate TTB officer may authorize any scientific university, college of learning, or institution of scientific research to produce, receive, blend, treat, test, and store spirits, without payment of tax, for experimental or research use but not for consumption (other than organoleptic tests) or sale, in quantities as may be reasonably necessary for such purposes. The appropriate TTB officer may waive any provision of 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 (other than 26 U.S.C. 5312), or this part (other than this section) to the extent necessary to effect the purposes of 26 U.S.C. 5312(a), except he may not waive the payment of any tax on distilled spirits removed from any university, college, or institution. A person conducting experimental or research operations authorized under this section is subject to special (occupational) tax under subpart Ca of this part and shall hold a special tax stamp to cover the experimental or research operations.

(b) *Qualification.* Any university, college, or institution desiring to conduct any of the experimental or research operations listed in the preceding paragraphs shall make written application,